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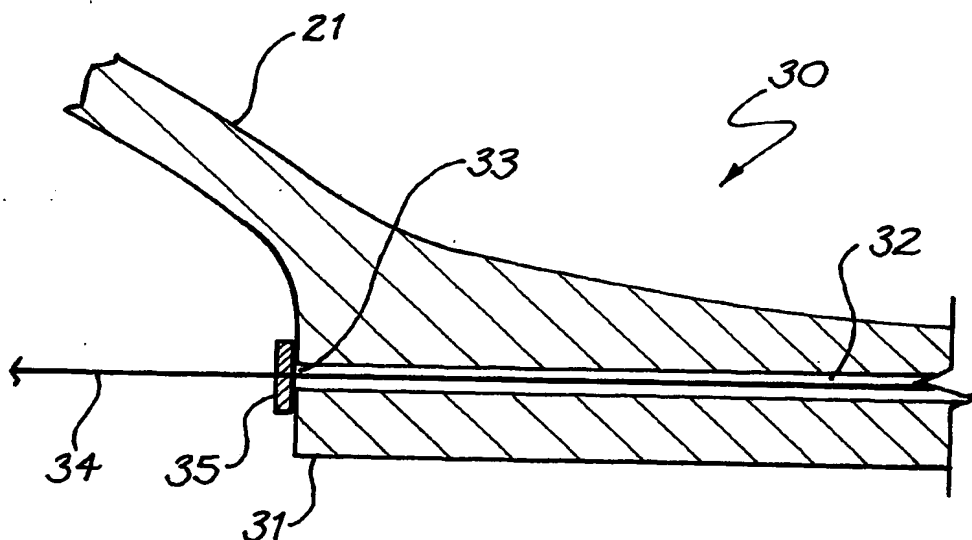
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(57) Abstract: An implantable tissue-stimulating device comprising a resiliently flexible elongate member (30) having a proximal end, a distal end and having at least one electrode mounted thereon. A lumen (32) extends through at least a portion of the elongate member (30) from an orifice (33) positioned at or relatively closer to the proximal end than the distal end. The lumen (32) is able to receive a stiffening element (34) through the orifice (33). The lumen (32) can be closed by a seal (35) that is pierceable by the stiffening element (34) but which at least substantially seals the lumen following removal of the stiffening element therefrom. The lumen (32) can also be closed by a plug (50) or a sealing member (72) mounted on the stiffening member. The lumen (32) can also be closed by a crimp (90) or clip (100) that is mountable around the elongate member (30) and which can compress the lumen (32).



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